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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Placerville – CHP Officer Injured during Struggle with Suspect in El Dorado County

(U) A Placerville-area California Highway Patrol officer is recovering from injuries suffered 23 October in a struggle with a suspect in a rural area of El Dorado County. The suspect, 20-year-old Michael Treece, was taken into custody after a vehicle pursuit and manhunt, according to CHP. He was booked on suspicion of battery to a peace officer, resisting arrest and felony evading, as well as a felony no-bail warrant related to another incident. The officer is expected to make a full recovery.

SOURCE: 25 October 2017, [Sacramento Bee](#)

(U) Visalia – Two Men Charged with Hate Crimes

(U) Two men accused of stabbing an African-American man over the weekend have been charged with attempted murder and participating in a hate crime, the Tulare County Sheriff's Department said. On 22 October, deputies responding to a disturbance call found a 60-year-old African American man in the street that had been stabbed. Witnesses identified the two suspects as Jodan Peck and Jonathan Hadden Kennedy, who were immediately taken into custody. The victim's name and condition were not released.

SOURCE: 25 October 2017, [Fresno Bee](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – US Sanctions Yemeni Individuals and Companies to Combat Terror

(U) Washington – The US announced sanctions on eight Yemeni individuals and one company, Al Khayr Supermarket, to combat the activities of al-Qa'ida and the Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS). The sanctions were guided by the recently formed Terrorist Financing Targeting Center (TFTC) to stem the flow of terrorist financing and is jointly chaired by the US and Saudi Arabia.

SOURCE: 25 October 2017, [New York Times](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Spain – Spaniard Convicted For 9/11 Attacks Arrested for Alleged Links to ISIS

(U) Madrid – Yusuf Galan, a Spaniard who had previously served a prison sentence for his involvement with the 9/11 attackers was arrested in Madrid for allegedly belonging to ISIS. In 2005, Galan was sentenced to nine years and six months in prison for belonging to a terrorist organization and illegal possession of weapons. He was freed in 2011, but afterwards "developed a profile similar to that of a cyber-soldier, the second evolution of a jihadist fighter who uses the internet to share, interact with and propagate terrorist ideology," according to the Spanish interior ministry.

SOURCE: 26 October 2017, [Latin American Herald Tribune](#)

(U) United Kingdom – Criminals Try Message Apps to Evade Dark Web Crackdown

(U) London – A police crackdown on dark web markets such as AlphaBay and Hansa is driving cyber criminals to use mobile messaging apps to locate anonymous new hideouts, according to a report

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published yesterday by security researchers. An intelligence software firm shows a 30-fold increase in dark web activity using smartphone-based messaging apps over the past year. Several hundred thousand users are estimated to be trading stolen credit cards, account credentials, malware, or drugs, as well as sharing hacking tricks over the dark web.

SOURCE: 25 October 2017, [Reuters](#)

(U) United Kingdom – Man Arrested On Suspicion of Terror Offenses

(U) Manchester – A man has been arrested on suspicion of committing terrorism offences after two addresses in Manchester were raided yesterday morning. Counterterrorism police executed warrants and arrested Amir Maqbool, 25, on committing offenses in violation of the UK's Terrorism Act of 2000. The arrest relates to a 9 March raid when counterterrorism police arrested another 25-year-old on similar charges.

SOURCE: 25 October 2017, [Manchester Evening News](#)

(U) Yemen – US Drone Strike Kills 13 ISIS Fighters

(U) Bayda – A US drone strike killed 13 suspected ISIS members in central Yemen, security sources stated yesterday. The assault, which occurred in Bayda province, is the second known US strike against ISIS in Yemen, following a strike on an ISIS training camp just over a week ago. The US is the only country known to operate armed drones over Yemen, but its previous known strikes have targeted al-Qa'ida. ISIS has grown in Yemen since the country's civil war began in 2015, which has caused 8,673 deaths and 58,636 wounded, according to the United Nations.

SOURCE: 25 October 2017, [AFP](#)

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